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## UTILITY PATENT **APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Sir:

Enc	losed f	for filing	is the utility	patent	application	of _	Katsuzi	SAKUMA,	Shinichi	HAN	EDA,
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- [ ] Applicant(s) hereby requests that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- [X] Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.
- Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information: AISIN SEIKI KABUSHIKI KAISHA and AISIN KEIKINZOKU

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Also	enclosed are:
[X]	_5 sheet(s) of drawings;
[X]	a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [ ] hereby made to _ filed in _ on _;
	[X] in the declaration;
[]	a certified copy of the priority document;
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[ ]	an Information Disclosure Statement;
[]	a patent application data sheet; and
[]	Other:
[X]	An [ ] executed [X] unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)
	[X] also is enclosed [ ] will follow.
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.

[X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [ ] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS						
	No. Of Claims		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	Fee	
Basic Application Fee					\$770.00 (1001)	
Total Claims	7	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (1202) =	0.00	
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$86.00 (1201) =	0.00	
If multiple dependent c	laims are pre	sented, add \$290.	00 (1203)			
Total Application Fee					\$770.00	
If small entity status is	claimed, subt	tract 50% of Total	Application	Fee	<u> </u>	
Add Assignment Record	ding Fee \$40	.00 (8021) if Assi	gnment docur	nent is enclosed		
TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$770.00	

- [ ] This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.
- [X] A check in the amount of  $\frac{770.00}{}$  is enclosed for the fee due.
- [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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